

Application No. to be assigned  
In re Application of HIRATA  
Preliminary Amendment

# AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

*On page 1, please add a Cross-Reference to Related Applications section prior to the Field of the Invention section as follows:*

This application is a 371 National Phase of PCT/JP2005/001969 filed on February 9, 2005, which claims priority to Japanese patent application 2004-033790, filed on February 2, 2004.

*On page 1, please amend the heading "BACKGROUND ART" as follows:*

## BACKGROUND ART FIELD OF THE INVENTION

*On page 4, please amend the heading "DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION" as follows:*

## DISCLOSURE SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

*On page <sup>5</sup>/<sub>1</sub>, please delete the heading "PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED BY THE INVENTOR".*

*On page <sup>5</sup>/<sub>1</sub>, please delete the heading "MEANS FOR SOLVING THE PROBLEMS".*

*Please amend the paragraph on page 5 line 31, to page 6, line 21 as follows:*

In another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a method of manufacturing a filtering member including a cylindrical body formed by winding a wire. The method includes a step of forming a pattern layer of a mesh form on the outer circumferential surface of a shaft member by winding the wire on the outer circumferential surface of the shaft member and laminating the pattern layer in plural numbers in the radial direction of the shaft member. In this step, the pattern layer is formed by traversing the wire ~~between~~ in one winding end portion and an other winding end portion in the axial direction of the shaft member while the traverse direction of the wire is reversed between one winding end portion and the other winding end portion, and also in the other winding end portion, a plurality of reversal positions are set to reverse the traverse direction of the wire. Further, in this step, the wire is wound so that the shortest distance in the circumferential direction between a first reversal position of the plurality of reversal positions and

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